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THE GARFIELD Primer CALENDAR AND Proverbs.

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JAMES A. GARFIELD.

A BOY of humble birth,
"To fortune and to fame unknown,"

BUT destined by mysterious providence to ascend
Fame's ladder, round by round.

CANAL-boat driver at age fourteen,
Farmer, then carpenter, by honest toil
Moulding his will,

DOING whate'er he found to do, with pride and skill,
Striving with manly effort to excel,

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"God reigns, and the Government at Washington still lives."

—GARFIELD.

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EACH struggle upward fraught
with obstacles to overcome,
Each conflict by his valor won.

FALTERING not, his method molding will
Add fresh laurels to his skill,

GARFIELD at eighteen years of age aspires
To teach, and thus improve, his mind's desire,

HIS rapid development of mind.
His course in life has well defined,

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"It is not right or manly to lie, even about Satan."

—Garfield.

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INTENT to reach a broader plane,
More definite knowledge to obtain.

JUST needs he now begins to feel,
And bravely works at menial toil
His ends to meet.

KIND providence with him endowed
A frame full able to withstand
The labor of his brain and hand.

LATIN and Greek he masters now;
With purpose firm, "bound on bound,"
He ascends the ladder, round by round.

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"I would rather be defeated than to make capital out of my religion."

—Garfield.

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MASTER intellect, at twenty three.
His studious zeal outstrips his peers,
And paves his way to higher spheres.

NO backward stride,
But onward still he plods his way,
Seeking fresh knowledge day by day.

OLD Williams College now
With honors high delights to decorate
The first and foremost of his class to graduate.

PUPIL! Tutor! President! of Hiram College Institute:
At bottom round his course began,
Now recognized a leading man.

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"If the ability to do hard work is not talent, it is the best possible substitute."

—GARFIELD.

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USEFULNESS his chiefest aim,
To save his comrades from the slain,
On Chicamauga's battlefield,
Heroicly he rode to fame.

VOX-POPULI now recalled
From soldier field to civil life,
The people's will to represent,
Moulding the Nation's sentiment

WITH wise and careful statesmanship;
Acknowledged first in leadership
Among the Nation's sons.

XCELLING all, Ohio State
To him high honors delegate,
Making him her Senator
In Nation's hall.

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"I WOULD rather be beaten in right than to be successful in wrong."

—GARFIELD.

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YET not content
For him a single State to represent,
The people of the Nation call him, to be their President.

ZENITH is reached! the topmost round! fame complete! fortune how great!
Freemen, fifty millions strong,
Him their ruler inaugurate.

& last sad fate! the vile assassin's ball
The wise, good man has slain,
And all the world, with sorrow great,
Mourns his fall.

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